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Seventeen Progressives Support Government in Stand Pat Protectionist Policy

Petulant Outburst of Premier May Indicate That Government Is Seeking Excuse to Drop Vitally Important Legislation—Parliament Should Sit Until Business Dealt With—Herculean Task of National Railways

By ROBERT GARDINER, U. F. A. Member for Medicine Hat

The article by Robert Gardiner, M.P., Chairman of the U.F.A. Group in the House of Commons, is the ninth of a series by Alberta members. The next, by E. J. Garland, M.P., will be published in the issue of June 1st.

The budget debate is over and the Government was sustained in the stand-pat protectionist policy by a majority of thirty-seven.

Seventeen Progressives by voting in support of the Government have virtually declared that this kind of a policy is quite satisfactory insofar as they are concerned. The debate lasted twenty-four days, and is probably one of the longest on record. The speech from the throne and the budget are the only occasions when the private member can expound his views on almost any subject, except the member place a resolution on the order paper for the discussion of some specific question on private members' day.

At the beginning of each session certain days are set apart for the discussion of resolutions placed on the order paper by members of the House. Private members' day usually lasts for about four weeks, and this year, when private members' day was abolished by a motion of the Prime Minister, there were still standing on the order paper forty-four resolutions to be discussed.

LIBERAL CRITICISM AND LIBERAL PRACTICE

During the last general election, the Liberal party criticised the then administration for its policy of order-in-council Government and cabinet domination. Now that the Liberals are in power we might expect them to practice what they preached when in opposition. A member of Parliament desiring to voice a grievance on behalf of his constituents or to make suggestions for the improvement of conditions generally in Canada, must of necessity choose either the speech from the throne or the budget to voice his opinions. This explains why the debate on these occasions take so long.

The Premier when speaking complained that the Conservative, Progressive and Independent members, by taking up so much time in debating the budget, were obstructing the business of Parliament and preventing the Government from carrying out its program. He threatened to ask the Governor-General to dissolve Parliament. The Conservative whip in reply to the Premier, stated that without taking into consideration the last day's debate, the numbers of columns of Hansard used by the various groups in the House were as follows: Liberals, 843 columns, Conservatives, 854, and the Progressives and Independents 558. The Liberals put up 46 speakers, the Conservatives 26, the Progressives 26, and the Independents 7.

REAL REASON FOR PETULANT OUTBURST

In view of the differences of opinion held by the various groups on important questions, the charge of obstruction should not be taken seriously, remembering as we must the figures quoted above. We must look in another direction in an endeavor to find the real reason for the Premier's petulant outburst. The answer may be found in connection with legislation that has still to be considered by Parliament, such as, for instance, equalization of railway rates, reimbursing the Home Bank depositors, the alternative vote, amendments to the Canada Grain Act, and long term rural credits.

Some of the proposed legislation is being bitterly opposed by certain influential interests, and it is just possible that the Premier is looking for an excuse to drop some of it for the present session. Members of Parliament are paid a sessional indemnity. If the session lasts less than sixty days they receive a per diem allowance. If the session lasts more than sixty days, it costs the country no more, whether it is there three or six months. Insofar as the members' indemnity is concerned, the added cost to the country would be the secretarial staff and printing. It would seem that the best course to follow would be to pass all the necessary legislation at each session, and not allow it to stand over for some future time.

GOVERNMENT MUST BEAR RESPONSIBILITY

Legislation in the Dominion in the last twenty-five years has been behind our industrial development, and the practice of allowing important legislation to stand over from session to session is partly responsible. If any important legislation is held over, the Government must bear the responsibility, as members are here for that purpose, no matter how long it takes.

On Wednesday, May 6th, the Minister of Railways placed before Parliament the annual report and financial statement of the Canadian National Railways. I purpose giving a few of the most important items in order that we may more

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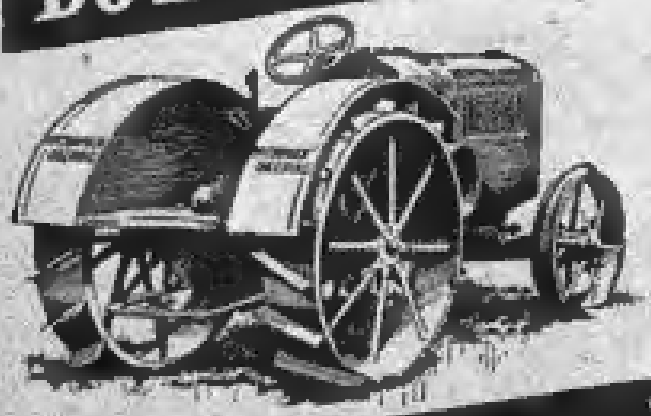

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EDITORIAL

LONG TERM LOANS

On May 12th the Banking and Commerce Committee of the House of Commons recommended by a very large majority the enactment of legislation during the present session to provide a more satisfactory system of rural credits. Details are lacking, the brief press report merely announcing that a better system of "rural credits" is proposed, but presumably the scheme will provide for long term loans on the amortization plan. Such legislation, as well as other measures for the alleviation of the condition of agriculture and the safeguarding of Western interests, should be passed before prorogation, even though Parliament should remain in session until Christmas.

In the matter of long term loans, in particular, there has been unwarranted delay. As C. R. Mitchell, the Liberal leader in this Province, himself has pointed out, essential information upon this subject has been in the possession of Governments for some time past. The responsibility is universally recognized as primarily a Federal responsibility, and until the Federal Government see fit, or be impelled by force of circumstances to take action, there is little prospect of an improved system being made operative.

At the last session of Parliament an effort was made to secure immediate action, but without success. This year there could be no possible excuse for further delay. The machinery which would be set up under the terms of new legislation, even under the most favorable circumstances, could not be set up for some months. In the meantime the need for an improved system is becoming increasingly pressing.

The problem of credit reform will not be solved by the adoption of the proposed legislation. But the recommendation of the Banking and Commerce Committee provides for a necessary first step to be taken. There must be no further delay.

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Incidentally, few Albertans except regular readers of Hansard can be aware that during the present session of Parliament the subject of credit reform has been discussed with great ability and clarity by a considerable number of members of the House of Commons—several of them from Alberta. A correspondent informs us that in spite of a careful scrutiny of a number of Alberta dailies, he had been unaware of the nature of the debates which have taken place on this subject until he read of them in a British periodical.

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It seems probable that the number of Juniors to take advantage of the opportunities presented by "University Week" will show a considerable increase this year. The course promises to be highly practical and of great value to the farm young people who can attend.

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We hope that as time goes on increasing attention will be given by the University authorities to education in the principles and practice of co-operation. Alberta is primarily an agricultural Province and the need for co-operation in agriculture is more generally recognized than in respect to any other branch of industry. We believe that the teaching of the "economics of co-operation" might well become one of the principal functions of the department of economics at the University.

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We hope to see the day when at least the elements of the economics of co-operation will be taught in every school in Alberta, as part of the regular course. These elements are simple, and may easily be taught by those who understand them.

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Professor C. R. Fay, of the University of Toronto, the author of "Co-operation at Home and Abroad" and other works on co-operation, will contribute an important article to be published in these pages in the near future. Upon this subject Professor Fay is an authority of the highest standing.

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A SENSATIONAL HOAX

A few weeks ago many Canadian newspapers published a story from a London correspondent, describing a plot against the life of the Rt. Hon. Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Minister. No details were given, but it was definitely stated that Scotland Yard had unearthed such a conspiracy, and the impression created by the despatch was that British ministers went in daily fear of assassination. The story was "played up" under "scare" headlines, and made a sensational piece of news.

The following item appeared in the Morning Post, a Conservative newspaper of London, on April 30th:

> **With reference to the reported plot of foreign origin against Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, we are officially informed that there is no foundation for the story.**

The London Daily Herald of the same date announced that the Foreign office had received information of a "rumor" current in a foreign capital. The Foreign Office passed on the rumor to Scotland Yard, which "regarded the whole yarn as so absurd that it did not trouble to take any special precautions at all. Someone in the Yard, evidently, saw a chance for a little boosting of the badly discredited Special Branch, and so the story, which the Yard itself regarded as absurd, was—with suitable ornamentations—given out to the press as a fact."

The Home Office first learned of the imaginary plot through the press, and announced officially: "If there had been anything in the story, the Home Office, being responsible for all police arrangements, would have been expected to be fully informed."

The Canadian papers which published the original story failed, so far as we have been able to discover, to print the official denial. The probability is that this denial was not even telegraphed by the correspondent who sent out the original despatch. It was necessary to wait ten days, for the arrival of the British mail, to discover that the story was merely a hoax, the product of a week of hysteria.

We trust that the Canadian newspapers concerned will take the necessary steps to secure a more reliable correspondent. Many men of high standing, students of public affairs, whose accuracy and sound judgment and fairness and honesty can be relied on, are available. The people of Canada would prefer news to sensation-mongering fiction.

In parts of Central Europe today there is a reign of terror and a dangerous political situation. As we pointed out last week, the political murders and massacres which have been committed in Bulgaria, many of them by the police, since the peasant leader was assassinated two years ago following the reactionary Zankoff coup, were unrecorded in our press until after the recent bombing outrage.

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Spencer Reports on Seven Resolutions of Annual Convention Presented by U.F.A. Members to Premier King

Minister of Agriculture Makes Statement in Reference to Resolutions on Hog Grading, Weed Control, Seed Grain and Oleomargarine—Other Resolutions Divided Among Various Committees

Resolutions of the U. F. A. Annual Convention dealing with Federal affairs have been divided among committees of members at Ottawa who have been giving the matters referred to their special attention during the session, states H. E. Spencer, M.P., secretary of the U. F. A. group in the House of Commons, in a report received by "The U. F. A."

Seven of the resolutions were submitted to Premier King direct by the U.F.A. group, and these are reported on below. A further report, dealing with the remainder of the resolutions, will be published at a later date.

Mr. Spencer's report on these seven resolutions is as follows:

(1) **Conscription of Wealth in Time of War**—The Premier drew our attention to the fact that the resolution was very similar to one drafted by Sir Wilfred Laurier. He therefore admitted being very sympathetic and made the statement that there would be no conscription of men without the conscription of wealth, as far as this Government was concerned.

(2) **Canada to Have the Right to Amend Her Own Constitution** — The Premier claimed we had a moral, if not a legal right now, and reminded the delegation that this subject was one of the most important ones to be considered by the Provincial and Dominion conference that the Government intended to call. A resolution on this subject was submitted to the House by W. F. Maclean and debated for some days, when it was decided to submit it to the above conference.

(3) **Resolved, That the Senate Be Made an Elective Body, etc.**—A resolution to this effect was introduced into the House by Mr. Shaw and on an amendment by the Government referred to the conference above mentioned.

(4) **Economy in Government Departments**—The Premier was in entire agreement and submitted, on suggestion, that savings might be made in the administration of the S. S. B., which could, with benefit, be turned over to the Department of the Interior to administer.

(5) **The Right of the Province to Tax Abandoned Soldier Settler Lands**—The Premier drew attention to the ever growing expenses of administration and the difficulty of meeting their liabilities, if the Government was called on for further finances, such as payment of taxation on these Government lands.

(6) **Natural Resources**—The delegation was informed that a tentative agreement had been reached with the Government of Alberta, that Mr. Bigger was engaged in working out details, and the Government was looking for a further conference with the Provincial authorities from the above Province.

(7) **Consent of Parliament Needed to Declare War**—To this the Premier entirely agreed.

H. E. Spencer, M.P., secretary of the U. F. A. group in the House of Commons, reports below on resolutions of the Annual Convention which have been presented to the Government directly by the U. F. A. members. Mr. Spencer will give a further report, later in the session, on the other resolutions which have been referred to various committees for consideration.

(8) **Resolutions on Hog Grading, Weed Control, Registered Seed Grain and Oleomargarine**, were taken up with the Minister of Agriculture. The following is the Minister's reply:

"With respect to hog grading, I may say that while the Government graders grade the hogs, the market sets the price, with the understanding at the outset that 'selects' would be ten per cent. higher than 'thick smooths.' With reference to all the other grades of hogs such as 'heavy', 'light', etc., the grader does not do any grading—except when the buyer and seller differ, and then the grader is called in as an intermediary to settle their difference.

"Consequently, only two grades are graded by Government graders at the present time—'thick smooth' and 'selects', while the price is set by the market.

"This matter of hog grading has been taken up with the various Provincial Departments of Agriculture throughout Canada; indeed, the scheme was originally worked out by the Provincial Departments in conjunction with the Swine Breeders' Association and the officers of the Federal Department two years before this Government came into office. We are endeavoring loyally to carry it out.

"Should Breed to Standard"

"The difficulty seems to be with many that they think the grade should be made to fit their present breed and type of hog—which would not improve our bacon in the least. The idea is that the standard of grade should be set to meet the requirements of the markets abroad, and then the producer should aim to breed and feed to that standard.

"Of course, it goes without saying that everyone has a right to grow the thick smooth, or any other kind of hog he likes—Duval, Poland China, or any other fat breed; but, if he does, he must not expect to grade 'select' and secure the top price of the market—any more than he might expect to get and develop a race horse from a Shire or Clyde sire.

"With reference to weed control, I may say that this is a matter entirely under the jurisdiction of the various Provincial Governments throughout Canada, and the passing of any law that would interfere with the Provincial trade would be contrary to the British North America Act.

"Regarding registered seed grain, I am heartily in accord with the idea of getting access to the United States market, or any other market, for our Canadian registered seed grain. Indeed, our aim has always been to warrant its going wherever possible, more particularly our high-class goods.

Oleomargarine

"Re Oleomargarine, I may say that two years ago the House of Commons decided by over two votes to one that oleomargarine should neither be imported nor manufactured in Canada. Public sentiment has crystallized more than ever in that direction since then, and I do not anticipate any change of public sentiment, particularly so long as butter is as cheap as it is at present. However, should that time come, your suggestion as to coloring the oleo. tint to indicate that it is not butter, is a good one and one that I have had before me for some time."

DELAY IN HEARING SAPIRO LIBEL SUIT

With reference to the libel suit instituted by Aaron Sapiro against the Leader and Star Publishing Company of Saskatchewan, more than a year ago, the Western Producer of Saskatoon gives the following interesting summary of events:

"The action was first set down for trial last February. At the request of the defendant (the Leader) it was adjourned till May. All arrangements were made by Sapiro in readiness for the trial next month, but this week, again on the motion of the defendant (the Leader), a further adjournment till September was secured. This delaying of the trial is strongly opposed by Milliken & Caswell, of Saskatoon, solicitors for Sapiro, who are ready and eager to proceed with the case immediately, and who, for the convenience of witnesses coming from the States, desired to set a definite date towards the end of May for the trial of the action."

VALUE OF FIELD CROPS

The value of the principal field crops in Alberta in 1924 is estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics as $129,759,700, a larger amount than that given for any year since 1920, when the estimated value of field crops (including potatoes, grain, hay, fodder, etc.) was more than $200,000,000.

The 1924 wheat crop in Alberta is given as 61,313,000 bushels, valued at $72,372,000, as compared with the average for the five years 1919 to 1923 of $18,341,000. The average yield per acre in 1924 was 11 bushels, while the average yield for the five-year period was 12.1 bushels. The largest average yield in the five-year period was in 1923, when the Province produced 23 bushels of wheat per acre. The total proceeds for this crop, however, amounted to only $16,143,000, while the 1920 crop of 20 bushels per acre sold for $126,561,000.

The value of the 1924 oat crop is estimated at $22,653,000, as against the five-year average of $11,288,000. The 1924 yield was 34 bushels per acre, and that for the five years 1919 to 1923 was 33.7 bushels.

Alfalfa, fodder corn, turnips and mangolds produced in Alberta in 1924 show an increase over the five years average.

News of the Organization

Activities of Locals and District Associations and Information From Central Office—Notes on Co-operation.

Recommend Soddy's Booklets on Credit Reform to Members

U. F. A. Banking and Credit Committee Suggest Study of Two Simply Written Twenty Cent Booklets Available at Central Office

Editor, "The U. F. A.":

At the recent meeting of the Banking and Credit Committee held in Edmonton, April 7th and 8th, the following resolution was passed:

"That this committee express its appreciation of the ready and effective response of 'The U. F. A.' to the recommendation in our report presented to the last Annual Convention for more prominence in advertising of books in stock dealing with the subject of Credit Reform.

Two Dozen in Each Constituency

"In this connection we would beg to specially recommend the two booklets by Prof. Soddy dealing with this subject from the scientific viewpoint as being simple, clear, concise and yet reaching bedrock in the discussion of each phase of this subject. If we can have these booklets read and studied by say two dozen workers in each Provincial Constituency Association it will mean the beginning of a new era in the advancement of the study of this subject throughout the Province and in the initiating of measures of reform in this country.

"These booklets may be obtained from your office, we understand, for the sum of forty cents.

"Yours sincerely,
"IRA D. TAYLOR,
"Sec'y Banking and Credit Committee.
"Big Valley, Alta."

[The booklets referred to, "Cartesian Economics" and "The Inversion of Science", are now available at Central Office, price twenty cents each.]

CONTRIBUTE TO JUNIOR CONFERENCE FUND

At the last meeting of Gwynne Local it was decided to make a contribution to the Junior Conference Fund, though the Local would be unable to send a delegate.

At this meeting the suggestion was made, writes D. K. Woolcock, the secretary, that Central Office should announce subjects for discussion by Locals throughout the Province at the same time, "allowing headquarters to know how the Locals stand with regard to matters of import, such as the reduction of the sessional indemnity now paid to our members of the Legislature."

PLAY PRESENTED AT RENFREW

Renfrew U. F. W. A. Local gave an entertainment and dance in the community hall recently. The most important feature was a play, which was enthusiastically received by the large audience.

NEW LOCAL IN ATHABASCA

Tawatinaw Local was organized lately in Athabasca constituency, with eight paid-up members. Geo. McGillivray and Wm. J. Burchell are the officers.

WARBASSE ON CO-OPERATION

"Man needs not only to bring out the best in himself but so to act as to bring out the best in others. A motive in life that will accomplish this end can save the world. Co-operation is the common ground upon which all who hope for the realization of the brotherhood of man may stand."—James P. Warbasse, President Co-operative League of America.

DALEMEAD HAS PRINTED PROGRAM

A printed copy of a very interesting program for the 1925 meetings of Dalemead U. F. W. A. Local has been received by "The U. F. A." The program includes talks on "Care of Teeth" and "Eating for the Teeth"; address on the Poultry Pool, reports of officers, etc.; address, "Mental Deficients", followed by discussion; roll call, "First Impressions", and paper on Immigration; roll call, "Why I Married My Husband", and address, "Don't Tell Him Everything"; dressmaking demonstration; outline of the Dalton School Plan, and debate, "Resolved, We Should Have Municipal Schools", by members of the U. F. A. and U. F. W. A. Locals; roll call, laundry hints, and paper, "Worry"; roll call, Christmas gifts, and planning bazaar; roll call, favorite book or author, and talks, "Books for Children" and "Reading for Youths"; social afternoon. Each meeting includes community singing and a vocal solo.

Mrs. M. Phillips is the convener of the program committee; Mrs. L. C. Hiatt and Mrs. J. S. Holmes are president and secretary, respectively, of the Local.

TEACHER ORGANIZES JUNIORS

Miss Marie Fleming, the local school teacher, organized the Magic Junior Local in the Penola district recently, and is the supervisor. Misses Gladys Morris and Marion Hughes are the officers of the new Local, which has twenty members, all under seventeen years of age. It has been decided to send a delegate to the Junior Conference.

NEW SERAPTA LOCAL

N. C. Seeley, S. Guyott and J. F. Gibson are the officers of the New Serapta Local, recently organized in the Wetaskiwin constituency.

CALUMET LOCAL ORGANIZED

Calumet U. F. W. A. Local was organized recently by Henry Nelson, president of the U. F. A. Local. Mrs. O. W. Nelson and Mrs. C. Malcher were elected officers.

PREPARING FOR CONCERT

Wilson Junior Local are preparing for a concert, writes the president, Miss Molly Coupland, the proceeds to go towards the Junior Conference Fund. At a recent meeting addresses were given by Donald Cameron, Jr., Mrs. Fred King of East Lethbridge, and Mrs. C. Jenson of Magrath, on various phases of the organization work. Following the meeting, the Junior Local orchestra supplied music for dancing.

Delburne Deals With Mining Irregularities

Farmers Assisted Miners Who Were Beaten Out of Wages

Editor, "The U. F. A.":

Delburne Local is still going strong; the gross receipts of an entertainment and dance held by us last month amounted to $116.40.

We were successful in drawing the attention of the Legislature at Edmonton to grave irregularities being carried out by certain mine operators at Ardley, who for a number of years have been mining coal on a "scientific plan."

This plan consisted of hiring a bunch of miners to get a lot of coal out, selling this coal, pocketing the money, and then going broke; another company, with a different name but apparently the same owners, taking over all the assets of the original company, and by this plan beating the miners out of all their wages and making the municipal council support the miners when destitute.

A bill has been passed in the Legislature at Edmonton, largely through our efforts, which is expected to put a stop to this sort of roguery.

Our municipal council is somewhat financially embarrassed after supporting these miners for a number of years, and as a number of settlers here require seed grain this spring, and have been refused help by the municipality, this Local is adopting persuasive efforts on said municipality, which I think will have the desired results.

DAVID G. S. THOMSON,
Secy. Delburne Local.
Delburne, Alberta.

MASQUERADE DANCE

A masquerade dance given by the Beddington U. F. W. A. Local recently, was attended by about fifty couples, in picturesque and original costumes.

DALEMEAD JUNIORS NUMBER 34

Dalemead Juniors heard an address from Donald Cameron, Jr., at a recent meeting. They have now 34 members, and intend, if possible, to send several delegates to the Junior Conference.

The longer I live the more certain do I become that the best that Governments can do for farmers is of insignificant importance compared with what, by carefully thought out and loyal co-operation, they can do for themselves.—Sir Horace Plunkett.

NO EXTENSION AT PRESENT

With reference to the resolution from the Sedgewick Constituency Association, passed by the Annual Convention, asking the Canadian National Railways to extend the Alliance branch eastward to Sibbald or Lorenzo, the chief engineer, construction department, makes the following statement:

"I would advise, for your information, that as our three year branch line construction program as passed by Parliament did not include the construction of such an extension, and also owing to the present adverse financial situation, I regret that we cannot hold out much hope of any work being undertaken on this line in the near future."

Have You Completed Plans to Attend the Junior Conference

Every Farm Boy and Girl Who Can Do So Should Attend Annual Event

Dear Boys and Girls:

The time has arrived when all members of the Junior U. F. A. should be making plans to have their Locals strongly represented at the seventh annual Farm Young People's Week at the University of Alberta during the week of June 2nd to 9th.

Every farm boy and girl who is in a position to take advantage of the opportunities offered by this short course in practical agriculture and citizenship, as well as to take part in the annual business session of our Junior organization, cannot help but return to the farm with renewed energy, with a more vigorous and wholesome outlook upon life than would be the case if they had never had the experience of attending one of our conferences.

The boys and girls of today are building the foundation of their future at the present time, and they should use extreme care in the building, lest their whole life's structure be built upon a foundation of silt and shifting sand. Unless we build upon a foundation of character and sound thinking, we are not going to achieve success in life in a lasting degree, either as individuals or as an organization or as a nation.

All our young people's organizations at the present time are striving to lead their young people to a higher conception of the word "Citizenship", and to bring home to them the necessity of giving more serious thought to the many and complex problems of our present age.

The Junior U. F. A. is doing in the rural districts what a large number of other organizations are doing in the cities and towns—ours is a very important young people's organization and it is doing a splendid work in the rural communities of Alberta and we are confidently looking forward to it to do even bigger things in the future, but in order for it to be of the greatest benefit we must have the support of all our farm young people.

Our organization, working in co-operation with the University of Alberta, offers an opportunity to girls and boys that no other young people's organization offers at the present time, and we want all farm girls and boys to avail themselves of this opportunity.

The number of delegates from a Local is not limited—the whole Local may come if they can. If you are not a delegate, come anyway; the investment will be one of the most profitable from an educational point of view that you have ever made and you will be taking another step forward towards becoming a better and more efficient citizen.

Let us all resolve to make of our University Week of 1929 one that will long be remembered in the history of our Junior organization. We can easily do it if every individual and every Local will do their share.

With every good wish for the success of your Locals and hoping to see every Local strongly represented at the Conference,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

DONALD CAMERON JR.

EXTEND GOOD WISHES FOR SUCCESS OF JUNIOR CONFERENCE WEEK

The Executive of the U. F. W. A. desire to extend to the members of the Junior U. F. A. our best wishes for the success of their Conference Week. We hope that it will exceed in number of attendance any previous Conference, and be a source of benefit and inspiration for the ensuing year.

The managing editor of a large eastern daily in a recent address appealed to the boys and girls "to remain at home and till the soil instead of going away and attempting to wrest a living from a big city."

This and similar appeals will be unnecessary when the business of farming is put upon a sound economic basis, ensuring a high standard of living with a proper proportion of profitable work, education and leisure for every boy and girl on the farm.

A conference of young farm people where these points are emphasized cannot fail to inspire everyone present and to influence through them the homes and communities throughout the Province.

ELIZABETH T. WYMAN,
First Vice-President.

Wheat Pool Pledges Support in the Organization of Pools—Names Member of Drive Committee

A. B. Claypool Chairman and Mrs. F. E. Wyman Vice-Chairman of the Joint Committee in Charge of Drive for Membership

Active support and assistance in the organization campaign of the new co-operative Pools was pledged by the Alberta Co-operative Wheat Producers, Ltd., at a meeting of the Board of the Association held in Calgary last week. The Board has designated W. H. Boyle, Edmonton agent of the Wheat Pool, to assist the organization committee of the new Pools.

Saskatchewan to Confer With Alberta

Indicative of the intense interest which has been aroused in other Provinces by the campaign of the new Pools is the forthcoming visit of the Livestock Pool Committee of Saskatchewan, to consult the Alberta Pool organization in Edmonton on June 1st.

Members of the Joint Pool Board organized for the purpose of the drive will remain in Edmonton from May 16th, until the conclusion of the drive on June 28th. A meeting of the Joint Board held last week-end in Edmonton was attended by A. B. Claypool, chairman; Mrs. F. E. Wyman, vice-chairman; S. S. Sears, Nanton; R. A. Van Slyke, Red Deer; W. F. Stevens, Edmonton. Nelson Smith was unable to attend. He is in hospital in Edmonton undergoing an operation for appendicitis.

The joint organization committee for the Pools was formed at a meeting of the directors of the three Pools held in Edmonton recently. The committee consists of the secretaries of the three Pools and the three chairmen as ex-officio members. The chairman of the Joint Pool Board is A. B. Claypool, the vice-chairman is Mrs. F. E. Wyman, and the secretary is R. A. Van Slyke. S. S. Sears, W. F. Stevens and N. S. Smith, M.L.A., are the other members of the joint committee. The members of the committee will make their headquarters in Edmonton during the latter part of May and during the period of the drive for members.

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One of the canvassers in the Grande Prairie district in two days' work last week signed up about 80 per cent. of the farmers in his territory for the Livestock Pool.

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An indication of the extent to which the principle of co-operative marketing is being incorporated in legal enactments, is shown in the fact that 37 states of the union now have co-operative marketing legislation on their statute books.

LUNCHEON TO MRS. PARLBY

Canadian delegates to the International Council of Women in session at Washington, D.C., gave a luncheon on May 12th in honor of Hon. Mrs. Parlby, Minister Without Portfolio in the U. F. A. Government. Mrs. Parlby and Mrs. R. B. Gunn, President of the U.F.W.A., have been invited to address the Canadian Club at Winnipeg on their return from Washington.

INLAND LOCAL ORGANIZED

H. O. Braden, director for Vegreville constituency, recently organized Inland Local, in the Vegreville district. There are twenty paid-up members in the new Local, and John Zaseybida and J. F. Leach are the officers.

"Before co-operation comes in any line, there is always competition pushed to a point that threatens destruction and promises chaos; then to avert ruin, men devise a better way, a plan that conserves and economizes, and behold it is found in co-operation."—Elbert Hubbard.

RESUMPTION OF GOLD STANDARD

"The position of the United States in the matter is not difficult to understand. Rich beyond all measure and loaded up with gold, they see that, in the payment of the war debts by us—and later on, it may be, by other nations in Europe—they are destined to receive more and still more gold. Now gold means financial power, but only on condition that some other of the leading nations of the world accept it. Obviously, therefore, it is of the first importance to the United States to induce England to restore the gold standard as early as possible. Until we actually do so, the United States are haunted by the fear that they may yet be left high and dry with their gold in which their war debts are payable, and which therefore they must continue to receive or cancel the debts. It is not surprising, therefore, to find that the upward movement in the American exchange has emanated from the other side. We are, in fact, being lured on to the gold standard by America lending us more money."—J. P. Darling, a British banker, in the London Spectator.

[Resumption of the gold standard has recently been announced by Great Britain.—Ed.]

Mr. Blain's letter, and several others have been in hand for some considerable time, but have been held over with much other important material owing to lack of space. It will be remembered that an article on "Education and Life", by Mr. Blain, was published in "The U. F. A." of September 15th last and a letter on the same subject by Perren Baker, Minister of Education, in the issue of October 15th.

Education as a Means to Economic Freedom

Mr. Blain Discusses Points at Issue—The Rivanian Philosophy of Life

Editor "The U. F. A.":

In a previous article on education, I advanced the contention that some serious defects existed in our educational system and suggested some methods of overcoming these defects, and also suggested that we could with propriety use our educational system to assist us, in some measure at least, in obtaining our economic emancipation and thus be enabled to enjoy a higher cultural development.

It is very gratifying to know that a plea for education that would fit the child for something more than an efficient orthodox commercialist struck an answering chord in the heart of our Minister of Education. However, as he has taken issue with me on several important phases of the question, I feel that, in justice to the ideas or ideals which I advocate more than in any spirit of controversy, I should elucidate somewhat the points at issue.

The Key Subject

I made the charge that the present method did not imbue the pupil with an adequate appreciation of literature. I chose literature because it is the key subject, as it were, that unlocks the door to that larger life, the exploration of which so enriches and enlarges the mind, driving out prejudice and that sense of pettiness that is so prevalent, for who can dwell in thought with greatness and be dull or petty or ignoble? Unless education does unlock this door, the life of such a one is more or less a somnambulistic trance.

To begin with—are the teachers themselves in possession of this mystic key? Does the average female teacher in rural Alberta possess an appreciation of the worth of literature that will enable her to impart to the pupil that indefinable something, that spirituality, as it were, without which the subject is robbed of all its enchantment and enrichment and beauty? Those of us who observe and are interested know beyond cavil that she cannot transmit it, because she does not possess it. She is not interested in the pursuit of literature or of knowledge. Most of her activities are concerned with something entirely foreign to the advancement of culture. Let me give one instance which my observations lead me to believe would be quite typical:

A young lady teacher of some years' experience accepted a school in this vicinity. She was very highly recommended by the then inspector of this district as being an A one competent teacher. She happened to be visiting at my domicile, and in looking over some of the books, I asked her if she had ever

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How Rural Credit Societies Have Helped the Farmers

Credit Reform Desirable, but Existing Societies Provide Useful "Lifebelt" While "Lifeboat" Is Being Launched

By Geo. W. Stormer, Loyalist, President Silverdale Co-operative Credit Society

In 1920 the "Rural Credits Act", an act to provide short term loans to farmers, was amended so as to become workable.

At this time it was necessary to obtain the approval of the lender to each individual loan. This was a great hindrance and proved to be so unsatisfactory that in the following spring the Government again amended the act to provide a full guarantee. Other amendments from time to time have developed this short term credits system so that today it is the best system on the North American continent.

Collected 99 per Cent. of Loans

While these societies are purely co-operative, it is necessary for the Provincial Government to provide efficient supervision to safeguard the Province against possible loss. Last year almost $1,000,000 was loaned to farmers through the societies, and in spite of the very short crop in the greater part of the Province the societies were able to collect 99 per cent. of all loans.

This year most societies, if not all, are ahead: loan money to their members at 7 per cent., having been able to induce the banks to let them have money at 6 per cent. The one per cent. is withheld to provide for administration of the societies' operation and also to provide a central reserve fund, which is held by the Provincial Treasurer, and is as a scrapper to the Province against loss.

While this is possibly not all that is to be desired, it has a wonderful effect upon those institutions which are loaning money to the farmers in the Province, and it is to be hoped that the farmer of Alberta will soon be able to obtain money as cheaply as his brother in the East.

The handling of credit is a very delicate undertaking in a new country like this, where there are so many new families coming and going all the time, and the greatest care must be exercised in granting loans. If this scheme should fail, it would take a very long time before another short term credit scheme could be established. The inspectors and directors are fully aware of this fact, and so they can only make loans with full knowledge that failure would reflect upon the farmers' ability to conduct their own business.

Besides the actual saving in money to the members, there is the assurance that the farmer's position will be better understood by such a society than by any one else when he finds his crops, or the price of his products, has declined to a price below his expectation.

A good many of us know, to our sorrow, that when prices are high we feel that we should raise our standard of living. We all feel a little buoyant at times, and feel sure we shall never see such hard times again, and Oh! what a blow when we find that our banker has got afraid that if he does not get the farmer's money before the other fellow, he loses a job perhaps! Then down goes the price of everything the farmer has to sell, and if he does not live like a groundhog, out goes the farmer—or at least so it seems.

When these conditions prevail (and they have prevailed so often in the history of agriculture that every country has a peasant class paying tribute to vested rights) then the farmer is demoralized, and finds he has no friends. Feeling discouraged, he becomes the victim of a deflated market.

Thorough Scheme Imperative

These conditions make it very necessary for a thorough and well organized credit scheme to be able to carry the farmer through this deflation period. This can only be done by ourselves when things are somewhat more stable.

A board of directors composed of members of the society—four elected by the members themselves—men who are interested in the building up of their own community, knowing the importance of holding every family as a member of that community, should understand and be more willing to give assistance than a branch bank manager who has been trained more to show a silent face than to offer a helping hand.

These societies not being in the banking business for profit, and not being on the job all the time, have asked the Government for certain powers of security and priority over other creditors, so as to protect themselves against possible loss. These securities, given to a society, often protect the farmer who finds it impossible to meet his debts promptly, by making it impossible for other creditors to force, or maybe only bully him into giving them further security. This question of giving security to unsympathetic creditors whose only interest in business is to collect, has caused a great deal of hardship, and possibly has forced more farmers to go out of business than the short crops have done.

In most localities, it is very easy to find 25 farmers whose financial positions are so much alike that they could well afford to get together, and so establish a farm credit society that would assist them in trying and uncertain times.

Lifebelts and Lifeboats

We hear so much about Credit Reform and rural credits schemes (which are both to be desired), and yet it is surprising how few localities have availed themselves of this opportunity to hold this power of credit to themselves. It may not be all that we desire, but you would not expect a drowning man to pass up a very good lifebelt because it was not as comfortable as a lifeboat!

THE MASSES AND THE POLITICAL PARTY SYSTEM

"So long as the mass of the population is only just able to subsist, is habituated to discomfort, and submits to be cut off from the pleasant things of life it will never become politically conscious. It will go on being humbugged into permitting two parties, each composed of members of the ruling class, to exercise political power alternatively for their own advantage."—Hamilton Fyfe editor of the London Daily Herald.

"We" can accomplish ever so much more than "I" can ever do.—N. Car. Cotton Grower.

Notes from the Poultry Pool Head Office

By Mrs. F. E. Wyman, Secretary

When the Alberta Egg and Poultry Pool starts to operate with sufficient volume of business and a large membership, it will have some right as to determining the grading of eggs and poultry, which is stated to be giving so much dissatisfaction at the present time throughout the Province.

It is interesting in this connection to note that on June 1st a new law goes into force in Oregon. All eggs must be branded when offered for sale. It provides for three classes: standard size, weighing 27 ounces to the dozen and up; medium size, weighing 19 to 22 ounces, and under size, weighing 19 ounces.

Any egg showing an air shrinkage of over three-eighths of an inch cannot be marketed as a fresh egg. The law also requires that imported eggs must be marked with the name of the place where they originate.

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Several of the larger associations marketing poultry produce in the U. S. are members of the National Council of Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Associations. This is composed of more than 620,000 American farmers, marketing each year through their member associations more than $600,000,000 worth of farm products. Judge Robert W. Bingham, whose name has been associated with the Burley Tobacco co-operative movement, is the chairman, and Walter Pelcet is secretary.

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Mr. Wahlron, Acting Co-operation and Markets Commissioner in the Department of Agriculture in the Province of Saskatchewan, is doing some splendid work in assisting the Saskatchewan Poultry Pool Organization Committee by preparing bulletins, folders and posters which are very interesting and striking. Mr. Wahlron expects to be in Alberta about June 1st as one of a committee inquiring into matters pertaining to the Pool movement in Alberta.

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A National Council of all the co-operative marketing associations of Canada is a practical vision which will very likely be realized in the not too distant future.

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The Coronation Poultry Association of which George Stevenson is president is shipping through their egg circles 275 cases of eggs a week.

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Looking forward with broad and far-sighted vision to the time when Alberta's surplus eggs will be sold by our Pool on a foreign market, a foundation should be laid now for a uniform and high quality production which will bring the highest possible price. Is it desirable for the producers to settle on one breed of bird for the whole Province? Would birds producing the same color of eggs be sufficient? Studying the market to which the eggs would be exported, what color of egg should it be? If we get as interested in these and kindred points as a group of producers did in our office last week, we feel we have started something.

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EDUCATION AS A MEANS TO ECONOMIC FREEDOM

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read or would care to read Herbert Spencer's treatise on Education; she dismissed it with the wave of her hand, "I never bother my head with such high-brow stuff." This condition of affairs is, I admit, very difficult to remedy; this age in which culture is sacrificed on the altar of commercialism is largely responsible. I believe that a realization of the existence of this problem is the first step towards its solution.

Now as to this new conception of history in which a "minimum of emphasis is placed on kings and battles." Quite true a new departure was made. I am informed, in 1922. Previous to that time the history text book was largely a glorification of war and intrigue. These text books are not now used. Instead the teachers have access to books of reference; consequently the onus of interpreting history is placed on the teacher.

Some Reference Books

Let us examine some of these reference books: take "Builders of History," for the lower grades, up to grade VII., I believe. Here is the table of contents: Alfred the Great; Canute the Dane; Harold, the Last of the Saxon Kings; Hereward the Wake; Stephen Langton; Simon De Montfort; Sir William Wallace; Robert Bruce; Geoffrey Chaucer; Wat Tyler; Sir Richard Whittington; Joan of Arc; William Caxton; Sir Francis Drake; William Shakespeare; Sir Philip Sidney; Sir Walter Raleigh.

A perusal of this book will convince anyone that this is worse than the old text books; fully three-quarters of its contents is dedicated to Woden. Space prevents me quoting many extracts, but here are a few typical ones from "Sir Walter Raleigh": "One other thing young Raleigh learnt in his quiet Devon home, and that was to hate the Spaniards with all his heart and soul." "During the early years of the reign of Queen Elizabeth the English had some trouble in dealing with the wild, unruly peasants of Ireland." "With a quarter-staff in one hand and a pistol in the other he held the yelling crowd of Irish at bay." Here is one from "Harold, the Last of the Saxon Kings": "At the end of the day there still remained a handful of English warriors fighting round their king. Harold himself, bleeding from a score of wounds, wields his terrible axe." I have been told by a teacher that the other reference books for use in the lower grades are very much similar. I fail to perceive any important conception of history here. Extolling this "Idol smeared with gore" to children at the impressionable age and calling it a new conception of history verges very closely on a conspiracy against the truth.

However, when we examine reference books for the higher grades we do note a vast improvement, Guest's "Social History of England" being an innovation in this respect. But I would imagine it would be somewhat difficult to imbibe this very readily after a feast on "Builders of History" and the like.

Crux of Argument

Now we come to the crux of the whole argument, which the Minister has carefully sidestepped by intimating that I may be a consort of the foul angel of darkness. Oh, well! There is nothing like having a bogey handy when you run out of logic. A consort of the foul

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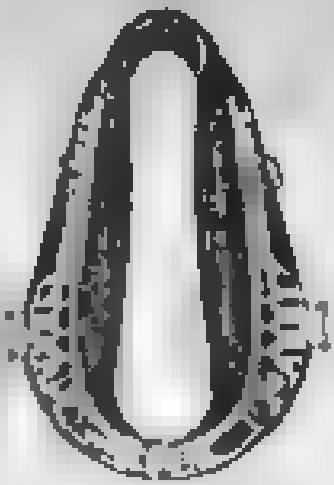

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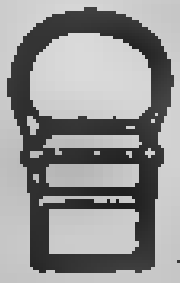

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and promote more workers. Consequently the workers are not able to buy the increased production resulting from better farming. The rich, in spite of their extravagance, have but one stomach, and the only way the increase can be sold is by exporting to other countries.

Why Foreign Markets Inadequate

The foreign market question is one of the greatest questions confronting our present economic system. It has caused a lot of trouble in the past and will cause more in the future. Years ago, when only some of the biggest nations in the world were carrying on production under the present system of surplus value, this surplus could be sold in other countries. Today practically every nation in the world has adopted this system. Everywhere the workers produce more than they get back in wages, then where are the capitalists, factory owners, etc., going to sell their surplus products? It can't be done and hence we see whole armies of workers thrown out of employment and their purchasing power becomes nil. People may starve, bread riots may take place, while warehouses are bursting with good things to eat and wear. It makes little difference; those good things have been produced to be sold for profit and not for use.

In view of these facts, (and I challenge anybody to disprove them), is there still anyone, especially a farmer, who will believe that better farming methods, to grow more wheat, raise more hogs, cattle, etc., will make conditions better for the farmer?

As a matter of fact, excepting a few districts in the dry areas, the farmers' troubles are not that he has raised too little, but rather that existing conditions have compelled him to grow crops below cost of production.

The Only Remedy

The remedy, and there is but one, is to demand a change in our present social and economic system from private to public co-operative ownership, and when the workers get as near the five-fifths they produce as possible, they can buy more bread, butter, meat, eggs, etc., and an increased production on the farm will result to the farmer's benefit.

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J. GLAMBECK.

EDUCATION AND LIFE

Editor, "The U. F. A."

In "The U. F. A." of September 15th, Mr. Main treated us to an article not altogether complimentary of our educational system.

On October 15th, Hon. Perren Baker, through the same medium of spreading the light, informs us that Mr. Main's hom-de-a is the effect of lack of information of our educational system or a chronic, unreasonable dissatisfaction with conditions that are. Accusing a system is not a proof of guilt. Neither does a denial by the Minister of Education establish its innocence.

Who is right? If either is, "We may judge best by fruits and they are bitter."

Even Mr. Baker will not deny the truth of the old adage put this way by Brook: "As the twig is bent so the tree's inclined." This adage is oft recalled to mind when referring to juvenile bias.

Youthful Bias

Forty-nine in every fifty school children of Alberta know that when there are strikes or any other trouble between working men and their masters, the working men are all to blame. Forty-nine in every fifty have some pet project of realizing a fortune without earning it. They want to get something. They want a take-off between the producer and the consumer. The idea of producing something useful to society has never been planted in the mind. The children know the superiority of the people and institutions of the political division of which they chance to be members and nurse a full grown contempt for foreigners and their ways. Their youthful ideas and aspirations are not the effect of the teaching of fact, but are the legitimate offspring of propaganda.

In the history examination of eighth grade children, the question, "What caused the war?" was asked. Among each one hundred members of Alberta, yes, of America, is there

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ANOTHER SNUG BERTH

("The Rambler" in Alberta Labor News)

We note with considerable interest that another Liberal politician has found refuge in a snug little berth with the Vancouver harbor commission, which organization has been serving a most useful purpose for the people of Canada for some years in providing comfortable berths in which politicians of the Liberal stripe who happen to be adrift on the sea of political adversity may find shelter.

We refer to our friend Jack McColl, former Liberal member in the Provincial Legislature for Acadia, who, since a certain eventful day in August, 1921, has been holding down various positions in the gift of his friend, Mons. Stewart, of Argyleshill. Jack, we understand, is now some sort of grain inspector for the harbor board. Just what his duties are is a matter of considerable uncertainty, but the main reason for his appointment, we are told, is because Alberta needed a representative on the harbor board to deal particularly with the grain shipments from this Province. We congratulate Mr. Mac. on being elevated to this nice job, and also Alberta for securing so able a representative.

Mr. Mac. will by no means be lonely out at the harbor board offices in Vancouver, for he will find his friend, Mr. Norman L. Harvey, of Alberta, in the offing somewhere. Mr. Harvey, it will be remembered, was Deputy Minister of Railways and Telephones under Mons. Stewart, when Monsieur was Premier, but certain things happened that made it advisable for Mr. Harvey to retire from the service. However, Mr. Stewart and the party just couldn't let him drop like that. He was a man of ability. He had shown his business perspicacity or whatever you call it, when he bought a million dollars' worth of telephone poles that the Province couldn't use up in twenty years and paid peak prices for them. The people of Alberta are now paying a big interest bill on this capital expenditure every year, while the poles are either rotting or being sold off for firewood or something like that.

So M. Stewart got Mr. Harvey fixed up finally with one of those nice sheltered berths with the harbor board where he can be close to the Vancouver Hotel and drop up once in a while to see if any of the Alberta boys are in town.

We understand that Mr. Harvey is inspector of coal bunkers, or something of that nature. This must be a particularly messy job for so immaculate a person as Mr. Harvey, but having lived through many Alberta winters, he undoubtedly knows considerable about coal bunkers, at that. Just where these coal bunkers are that he inspects, we are not quite certain. They may be out near the Jericho golf course for all we know, which would be all the nicer for Mr. Harvey.

SEVENTEEN PROGRESSIVES SUPPORT GOVERNMENT IN STAND-PAT PROTECTIONIST POLICY

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clearly visualize the herculean task that lies before us in attempting to make a success of our National Railway system. The system is composed of over one hundred different companies. Eighty-seven balance sheets have to be made out for the different entities before a general balance sheet can be struck off for the Canadian National Railways.

The different companies have separate accounts, do their own financing, and take care of their own securities. If one company wishes to do any financing the notes or securities must be endorsed by all the other companies. These companies and the securities issued, the guarantee given, the relation of one security to the other, must all be taken into account before we know what is involved in the whole system.

At present an investigation is being conducted into the entire system, to determine the amount of securities outstanding and the physical value of each line. When this task is accomplished, then it will be possible to adopt a new system of financing, and also to take into consideration the re-capitalization of the system, based on its physical value.

WHAT ANNUAL REPORT REVEALS

The following is a synopsis of the main items taken from the annual report, and is worthy of consideration:

Mileage operated by steam, 23,872.15. Revenue 1934, $239,088,182.55, decrease $17,-587,405.56. Expenses 1934, $218,945,931.97, decrease $14,369,997.46. Net earnings 1934, $17,244,251.48, decrease $3,194,397.69.

Operating ratio 1934, 92.68; 1933, [illegible]; composed of, labor, $48.00; fuel, 11.31; other expenses, 36.77; total 92.68.

These items are exclusive of hotel properties.

The following are the liabilities of the National system: Loans from the Dominion of Canada, as at December 31, 1934, $569,897,857.64; interest accrued, 1934, $21,-271,043.66; unmatured funded debt held by public, $913,313,692.86; interest accrued, 1934, $28,561,104.14. Total debt to the Dominion of Canada and to the public, $1,476,211,948.24; interest accrued, 1934, $69,632,747.14.

To meet the interest charges of last year we have only the net earnings of $17,244,-251.48 and profits that accrue from other sources indirectly connected with the National system.

FIFTY MILLIONS TO MAKE UP DEFICIT

Parliament will be asked to vote about fifty millions to make up the deficit. The people will have to provide this sum of money through taxation.

In recent years the opinion has been steadily growing that the only way to solve the railway problem that we have is to amalgamate the Canadian Pacific with the National system. The present duplication of lines and of service is a burden too heavy to bear. The managements of the two systems are now co-operating for the purpose of eliminating the duplication of service. For this they are to be commended, but whether they can eliminate sufficient of the duplication to relieve the overburdened taxpayer, time alone will determine.

EDITORIAL

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A plain, unprejudiced record of the present situation in Europe, presented without partizanship of any kind, and without deference to any of the Governments or financial or industrial interests of Europe or America, great or small, would place the public of this country in a position to form its own judgments when the issue of peace or war may hang in the balance.

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The London Daily Herald, by the way, has performed a great public service in exposing a Berlin agency under the control of European reaction which has been engaged for several years past in forging international "news". Some of this "news" no doubt, has found its way in Canada and been printed, innocently, perhaps, by many newspapers. As the service specializes in sensations and is always on the side of the blackest reaction, it has become, in times of crisis, a source of serious danger.

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THE NEXT WAR

"The seeds of the next war are being sown now. Tell your audiences that next time there is war they are going to be called on the fight on sea, and to sacrifice their lives for lies."—Arthur Ponsonby, M.P., former British Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at a recent meeting of the Council for the Prevention of War.

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